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SUBJECT: SRI LANKA'S LAW OF THE SEA (LOS) DELEGATION

REF: STATE 197309

1. MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MFA) ACTING LEGAL
ADVISOR HAS INFORMED US THAT RANIL WICKREMASINGHE WILL NOT
BE ON SRI LANKA'S LSO DELEGATION AS ORIGINALLY PLANNED.
RATIONALE GIVEN FOR TH CHANGE IS THAT SINCE LOS MEETING
WILL BE A RESUMED SESSION,MOST DELEGATES WILL HAVE
PARTICIPATED IN EARLIER SESSION.CONSEQUENTLY,GSL
DELEGATION WILL CONSIST OF AMBASSADOR B.J. FERNANDO,
JOHN GOONERATENE OF UN MISSION, AND HIRAM JAYEWARDENE, ALL
OF WHOM WERE AT GENEVA LOS MEETING.

2. HIRAM JAYEWARDENE,SON OF H.W. JAYEWARDENE AND HEPHEW
OF THE PRESIDENT, HAS BEEN STUDYING INTERNATIONAL LAW
AT CAMBRIDGE FOR ABOUT THREE YEARS.HE IS REPORTEDLY
SPECIALIZING ON LAW OF THE SEA. EMBASSY HAS NO
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON HIM.

3. WHEN ASKED ABOUT SRI LANKA'S POSITION ON
EXPLOITATION OS SEABEDS AND DELIMITATION OF
CONTINENTAL SHELF MARGIN, ACTING LEGAL ADVISOR
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REPLIED THAT POSITIONS ON THOSE ISSUES AT RESUMED SESSION
WILL BE SAME AS AT GENEVA METTING.
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